

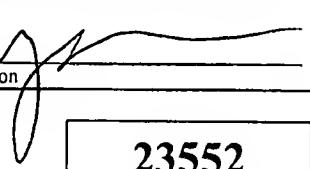
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Applicant: FLETCHER et al. Examiner: Unknown  
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Title: TABLEWARE-WASHING PROCESS INCLUDING A BIOCIDE

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- Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371
- Small entity status has been previously established
- Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Please charge the Deposit Acct. No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$65.00 for Submission of Missing Requirements
- Other: Communication Regarding Submission of Missing Requirements
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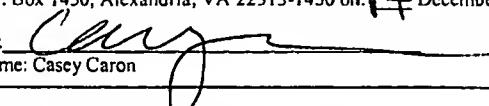
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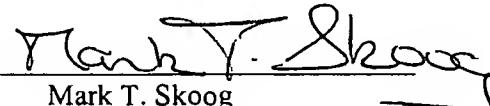
Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, enclosed please find the originally signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. Please charge our Deposit Acct. No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the Missing Requirements completion fee.

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 04/24/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/24/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/24/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 04/24/2006
- Small Entity Statement filed on 04/24/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/24/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/24/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/24/2006
- Specification filed on 04/24/2006
- Claims filed on 04/24/2006
- Abstracts filed on 04/24/2006
- Drawings filed on 04/24/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:

- is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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